

## Manager's Newsletter

Town of

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# Public Meeting To Be Held Wednesday, December 7, 2011 to Discuss Final Storm Drainage Study Results

The Town of Kitty Hawk and Albemarle & Associates will hold a Public Meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 6:00 pm at the Kitty Hawk Town Hall for the purpose of presenting the final Storm Drainage Study and recommendations for the defined areas of Kitty Hawk.

# Town Council to Meet— Monday, December 5, 2011

The next Town Council meeting will be held at 6:00 pm at Town Hall. The public is encouraged to attend. The following items are on the agenda:

- Oaths of Office for newly re-elected Council Members Emilie Klutz and Ervin Bateman
- Selection of Mayor Pro Tempore
- A continuation of the Public Hearing held on November 7, 2011 for Beach Ready Auto's application for a conditional use permit to establish a motor vehicle service and repair business in a Beach Commercial district in Units I & J of the existing Quail Run business center at 500 Sand Dune Drive. The proposed use would include the service and repair of vehicles for the applicant's business (Wild Horse Adventure Tours) and the general public.
- A Public Hearing is also scheduled for the proposed amendment to lengthen the amount of time that a temporary sign or banner can be used to two 50-day periods per calendar year.
- A call for a Public Hearing to discuss proposed amendment to establish standards for the use of commercial and noncommercial flags. A public hearing is requested to be scheduled for the January 9, 2012 Town Council meeting.
- New Business will include:

Access to beach from E. Kitty Hawk Road Sidewalk Status of Oak trees at Windgrass Circle





# **Planning Board Address Sign Concerns**

At its public meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Kitty Hawk Town Council received comments about limitations on the use of flags and temporary signs/banners by local businesses. In response, the Council members asked Planning Director Joe Heard to work with the Planning Board on the development of standards creating some greater allowances for local businesses.

At its meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup>, the Planning Board discussed the length of time that temporary signs and banners are presently permitted (two 30-day periods per year). It was noted the "summer season" from Memorial Day to Labor Day covers nearly 100 days. Most local businesses would use temporary signs during that time period. So, the Board voted to recommend an amendment that would allow temporary signs and banners to be used for up to two 50-day periods per year.

At its meetings on October 13<sup>th</sup> and November 17<sup>th</sup>, the Planning Board conducted a thorough review of Town standards for the use of flags, which were originally adopted to create provisions for flying American and other governmental flags. In recent years, many businesses on the Outer Banks have started to use decorative flags for advertising and drawing attention to their businesses. After discussion of many issues, the Planning Board developed a draft ordinance that sets standards for the number, location, height, and size of flags.

The Board's recommendations contain the following elements:

- different standards for government and business flags
- separate standards for flags on permanent flagpoles and temporary banner flags
- limitations on the number of flags
- maximum flag/flagpole heights
- standards for the maximum size of flags
- setback requirements to address intrusion and visibility concerns
- general standards for flag maintenance

These proposals will proceed to Town Council for final consideration.



The Government Channel (Channel 20) programming is now available online, 24 hours a day via live stream. Watch Town Council Meetings and all county programming by visiting www.darenc.com.



### **Town Calendar for December**

Town Council Meeting—Monday, December 5 at 6:00 pm

Public Meeting—Storm Drainage Study Results—Wednesday, December 7 at 6:00 pm

Council Meeting Aired on Government Access—Channel 20
Thursday, December 8 and Sunday, December 11 at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Planning Board Meeting—Thursday, December 15, 6:00 pm

Town Offices Closed—Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26

# DOMINION POWER ANNOUNCES MODIFICATIONS TO THE KITTY HAWK GENERATION/SUB-STATION

Dominion Power has recently announced that they will be removing two (2) 1970 vintage gas turbine generator units because the units have met their design operating life, are no longer efficiently operating in the power system. and to make space available for new electrical substation equipment on the site. Cleaner and more efficient generating units are now available to provide power, while the substation electrical equipment is needed to support reliable power supply for the Outer Banks. The work will include removal of the two (2) gas turbines and the fuel oil tank. Dominion's substation department will likely add substation equipment to the site that is the same nature and size as that which currently exists on site. The work is expected to begin in January 2012 and be completed by June of 2012.

# **Crime Alert from Dare County Sheriff's Department:**

During the early morning hours of November 30th, person(s) unknown entered vehicles belonging to 23 different victims in the Martin's Point Community. These vehicles were mostly unlocked vehicles containing various items of value. The perpetrators took primarily loose change, money, credit cards, or other immediately negotiable items. Items such as electronic devices were largely left alone. These incidents follow similar incidents earlier in the week in the Village of Duck. Investigator Sergeant Scott Rodriguez of the Dare Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Division is in charge of the cases. Citizens are encouraged to be vigilant to strange cars or persons in their areas, particularly late at night. Suspicious activity should be reported to 911 immediately. The best defense for becoming a victim of this type of crime is to lock your car doors when arriving at your home or other destination, as victimized cars were almost all unlocked. Any item of value, particularly purses, wallets and money should be removed from your car, before locking it. If you have any information regarding these incidents please call the Dare Sheriff's Office, at (252)475-5980, The Dare Community Crime Line at 800-745-2746, or our local Kitty Hawk Police Department at (252) 261-3895.

# **Police Department Activities for November 2011**

Calls for Service: 830

Criminal Investigations Initiated: 26 Traffic Accidents Investigated: 9

Residence Checks: 152 Business Checks: 300

Foot Patrol: 95

Request for Mutual Aid from other Departments: 4

Citations Issued: 135 Warnings Issued: 107

Arrests: 18

# **October/November Fire Department Calls**

During the month of October, 2011, there were 59 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Automatic/mutual aid	3
Cooking fire, confined to container	1
Dispatched and cancelled en route	2
Electrical wiring/equipment problem	1
Gasoline or other flammable liquid spill	1
Good intent call	1
Medical calls	41
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	2
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	4
Outside rubbish, trash or waste fire	1
Power line down	1
Sprinkler activation, no fire – unintentional	1

During the month of November, 2011, there were 48 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	1
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
Chemical hazard (no spill or leak)	1
CO detector activation due to malfunction	1
Dispatched and cancelled en route	5
Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition	1
Extrication of victim from vehicle	1
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
Good intent call	1
Medical calls	29
Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other	1
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	1
Power line down	1
Public service assistance	1
Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke	1



# Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.



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